
MODERATOR BIOGRAPHY

DR. PAUL SANDIFER

Dr. Paul A. Sandifer is Senior Scientist for Coastal Ecology for NOAA's National Ocean Service, with primary responsibility for the NOAA Oceans and Human Health Initiative, operating out of Hollings Marine Laboratory in Charleston, SC.

He spent 31 years with the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources, including six years as agency director. He has spent his career involved with marine and natural resource policy and management, and mission-oriented research in aquaculture and coastal ecology.

He currently serves on the US National Committee for the Census of Marine Life, advisory boards for the Carolinas Coastal Ocean Observing System and the South Carolina Sea Grant Consortium, Co-Chairs the Interagency Working Group on Harmful Algal Blooms, Hypoxia, and Human Health, and on the Institute of Medicine's Roundtable on Environmental Health Science, Research, and Medicine.

Dr. Sandifer received a Ph.D. in Marine Science from the University of Virginia in 1972.

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DR. DARIUSH MOZAFFARIAN

Dr. Dariush Mozaffarian is an Assistant Professor of Medicine in the Division of Cardiovascular Medicine, Brigham and Women's Hospital and Harvard Medical School, and Assistant Professor of Epidemiology at the Harvard School of Public Health. His research focuses on the effects of dietary habits on cardiovascular health and disease.

Dr. Mozaffarian has authored more than 50 publications and research studies, including the 2006 landmark study, "Fish Intake, Contaminants, and Human Health: Evaluating the Risks and Benefits" that appeared in the *Journal of the American Medical Association* (October 2006).

A Fellow of the American College of Cardiology and the American Heart Association, Dr. Mozaffarian graduated with honors from Stanford University and received his M.D. from Columbia College of Physicians and Surgeons. He also holds a Masters of Public Health from the University of Washington and a Doctorate of Public Health in Epidemiology from Harvard School of Public Health.

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KIM LOPDRUP

Mr. Kim Lopdrup is President of Red Lobster. He joined the company in 2003 as Executive Vice President of Marketing and was named President in 2004. Mr. Lopdrup was previously Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, North America, for Burger King and spent 16 years in executive positions with Allied Domecq Quick Service Restaurants. Mr. Lopdrup holds an MBA from Harvard.

DR. JASON CLAY

Dr. Jason Clay is Vice President and Managing Director, Markets, World Wildlife Fund, and is WWF's leading authority on aquaculture, agriculture and supply chain management.

Dr. Clay studied at Harvard and the London School of Economics before receiving his Ph.D. at Cornell University in 1979 in anthropology and international agriculture. He has worked on a family farm, taught at Harvard and Yale, worked in the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and spent more than twenty-five years working with human rights and environmental organizations.

From 1999-2003, Dr. Clay co-directed a consortium with WWF, World Bank, UN Food and Agriculture Organization, and National Aquaculture Centres of Asia/Pacific to identify better management practices that address the most significant environmental and social impacts of shrimp aquaculture.

Dr. Clay is the author of 15 books and more than 250 articles. His next book, *World Aquaculture and the Environment*, will be published in 2008.

HARLON PEARCE

Mr. Harlon Pearce is Chairman of the Louisiana Seafood Promotion and Marketing Board and the managing member of Harlon's L A Fish LLC.

Mr. Pearce has been involved in the seafood industry for more than forty years, and is a guest speaker and lecturer at major colleges and business institutions across the state of Louisiana. He is a member of the Mariculture Task Force for the State of Louisiana, the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, the Joint Natural Resources Seafood Task Force of Louisiana, and the Louisiana Seafood Industry Advisory Board. Mr. Pearce also serves as Vice-President, Lake Pontchartrain Fishermen's Association.

Since Hurricane Katrina, Mr. Pearce has worked tirelessly in his position as Co-chair of the Louisiana Fishing Community Recovery Coalition to secure aide and funding for restoration of the seafood industry and its fishermen in Louisiana and the Gulf Coast.

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LEN STEWART

Mr. Len Stewart is a Chartered Accountant with 25 years of experience in the aquaculture industry.

He helped the Cooke family create the largest aquaculture company in North America. Cooke Aquaculture employs 1,200 people along the east coast of North America and is one of the top ten salmon aquaculture companies in the world.

In 2000, he established Aquaculture Strategies Inc., a consulting firm focused on aquaculture. Mr. Stewart has worked on a variety of aquaculture-related issues, including international trade, and published analysis of the economic impact of the aquaculture industry on rural and coastal communities.

Mr. Stewart is President of the New Brunswick Salmon Growers' Association and President and shareholder of salmon farms in New Brunswick and Maine. Mr. Stewart was a key member of a Federal/Provincial Task Force on Fostering a Sustainable Salmon Farming Industry which led to a restructuring of the salmon farming industry in Atlantic Canada.